

## TABLET HUNTERS TO SKIN BIG HIPPO One Killed by Roosevelt Largest Specimen of Kind.

### HUNTSMAN HELLER IN NARROW ESCAPE

Fires on Leopard, Which Makes  
Desperate Effort to At-  
tack Him.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—A letter received this morning from a relative of a member of the Roosevelt party in Africa gives a graphic and interesting recital of the manner in which the giant hippopotamus, killed by Mr. Roosevelt last month, was skinned by the noted huntsman Heller, who was assisted in the work by a corps of some forty or more porters and assistants.

The letter closes with a story of a rather narrow escape which Heller had with a wounded panther which was caught by one too in a small rabbit trap and threatened, for a time, the life of several camp followers. The letter follows:

To skin the large hippo which Colonel Roosevelt killed two days ago was a job that took Heller something over thirty hours to complete. Removing the thick hide from an ordinary sized hippopotamus is generally a two days' task for one man. The work is done only by those who have spent years in learning the "trade," for such it is in Africa.

#### Work Is Picturesque.

From the time that the gangs of porters, dressed only in breech clothes, were sent into the stream to begin the task of hauling the body to shore, until the leather-like skin was removed the work was interesting. The work alone of dragging the dead hippo to shore was picturesque and replete with humorous incidents to those who were witnessing the event for the first time.

Some five or six porters were sent out into the water to tie the animal firmly and then to push. The water was full of leeches, and at frequent intervals the porters yelled and leaped into the air, clutching their bare legs or feet and pulling off the wormlike things. The ground was slippery, and every now and then a man lost his footing and went over backward into the water. As soon as the hippo reached shallow water a cloth was laid in front of it, and trodden down by the natives' feet so as to get under the body. Then the porters, thirty or forty in number, grasped a long rope and pull with a will, the animal up on this cloth. The cloth is then slipped out, placed ahead of her, and the operation begins again.

Heller, looking very wise and not at all savage with his hunting knife, was waiting by the bank to begin the skinning at once. With quick strokes he made the necessary incisions and the peeling of the heavy hide began. In less than three hours he was in camp, followed by porters, some carrying the skin, some the skull, and some the various bones of the legs. Then the delicate work began of peeling down the hide, a thin silver at a time, so that the heavy yellow skin might be removed and leave the outer hide, which only then can be treated and preserved.

#### Has Narrow Escape.

Heller came into camp this morning with a trophy which, on account of the circumstances in which it was killed, is among the most remarkable of the expedition. He had set a small trap for rabbits, with a branch of a tree tied to the chain as drag, and on going out at 6 o'clock saw only the trail of the trap in the underbrush. He followed the tracks, and presently came to a bush where a fierce snarl greeted him. He knew at once that he had trapped a leopard, and sent one of his boys back to camp for his rifle. When this was brought, he climbed a tree to see where the leopard was, knowing that a small trap on one foot could not prevent a leopard from charging it approached in the brush. He could only see a patch of fur and fired at this, not knowing what part of the beast it was.

A boy told him he had hit and in another second the leopard, a very large one, had left the bush and was charging the tree, trap and all. Heller fired a second time and stopped the advance again, but the leopard recovered and made another dive forward. Only the fourth shot finished him, and then Heller came down from the tree to discover that all the while the leopard had been held by only one of his traps, and he had to pull hard to shake off the trap, and be free to climb the tree.

The natives say they have never seen a leopard so fat. He weighed 125 pounds. The settlers say it is an old scoundrel who has destroyed \$250 worth of ostriches in the past year.

#### Elephants' Skins Arrive.

NAIROBI, British East Africa, Aug. 31.—The skins of three elephants, killed by the Roosevelt party in Kenya, arrived here today for shipment to Mombasa. They were carefully prepared by Naturalists Loring and Heller.

Messengers who arrived today from the Roosevelt camp say the party is in the best of health and greatly enjoying the elephant hunting. Colonel Roosevelt brought down two of the three pachyderms, according to the messengers. The party was expecting to move to a new field of operations, where big game had been reported as more plentiful.

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## POLICE PLAY BAFFLES OLD TIME REPORTERS

They Try to Make Diagram of Clues But Villian Has  
'Em Guessing—Gallery Says 'Tis Well—And  
That Goes.

"Three years ago I was the best telegraph operator in these parts. Now I'm a drunken bum. That's what drink'll do for a man. I've been kicked out of every place I tried to get work, everybody has a cuff for poor Billy West now (wipes away a tear), but I'll make 'em take notice. (Straightens up.) I'll cut it all out, I'll be a man again, I'll do all that, Adele, if you will help me."

"I'll be your friend always, Billy, but (taking both his hands), I can't marry you."

Between seasons, after he have been surprised with tragedies of the classics, and had enough of "drama," and while we are waiting for the new season's brand of heart interest plays, it is worth while to see a genuine old-fashioned melodrama such as "Wanted by the Police" at the Academy.

Talk of your problem plays, Ibsen was never like this. No bias or night-lights there. They are the busiest little critics that ever happened and away up in the "peanut" are the "gallery gods" who are the real Billikens of the melodrama as it ought to be. There isn't the lack of demonstration to the "big league" managers complain of. They demonstrate very clearly what they like and what they don't like. Catcalls, not critics, mark the failure of a melodrama. Hisses form the highest stamp of approval, for they mean that the villain is "on the job," which is the acme of the melo. And if they like it very much they yell and if they like it too much they take the big policeman up there taps his stick on the iron railing and the lights go up, and another "Wanted by the Police" is registered a hit.

#### Old Scout Baffled.

The police reporter was along. He sat down with his pencil stub and tried to make a diagram of the clues. It was too much for him. The author, Langdon McCormick, who also wrote "The Life of an Actress," "The Convict and the Girl," and "Money and the Woman," had him guessing from the curtain call. Villains don't always wear checked suits and big, black moustaches. Mr. Alfred Kingston was one of the most gentlemanly villains that ever donned a long black overcoat to hide a revolver. But the gleam in his eye was wicked. There was no mistaking that, and Miss Lena Van, who had the front door of the "old homestead" opens. On the threshold stands Miss Doris Moore.

"You here again, I hate you. Go away! I'll pay the rent this evening when sister comes back from New York."

"I don't want to throw you all out into the street. Why won't you take me at my word. I'll have a carriage waiting tonight."

"He wants to spirit her away," hoarse-ly whispered some one in the fifth row.

#### Spirited Away!

Of course he did. Villains all do that. But there's action there! The curtain up only two minutes and we are right into the middle of things, and the fun hasn't half begun.

"Then you will take the consequences," cries the villain.

"Stop!" exclaims a newcomer, seedy as to clothes and unsteady as to foot. "Stop! That is no way to talk to a lady."

"It is Billy West!"

"What is that to you, you drunken bum?"

"I may be drunk, but I haven't forgotten my manners. You get out of here, see?"

"Ordered off my own property, eh? Well, you take that, and that, and that (Billy falls). And (kicking him that, and that)"

"Say, that's enough of that; never kick a man when he is down."

"That brings them way up there in the seats of the mighty. Did you hear?"

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## LEAN AND HOLBROOK CHASE'S HEADLINERS

Suzanne Rocamora and "Broomstick Witches" Also on Excellent Program.

The bill offered at Chase's this week is one that will appeal to a variety of tastes. There is plenty of comedy with just enough sprinkling of music to make it acceptable. Three numbers on the program received hearty applause from the large audiences that attended the opening performances. The first was Cecil Lean and Florence Holbrook, who present one of the most pleasing sketches seen at this house, entitled "Just As They Are." It serves as a vehicle for their introducing several songs of their own composition. In his rendition of "He's a Part of My Life," Mr. Lean gives an amusing impersonation of the baseball "Bug" familiar to all lovers of the national pastime. Another number that required several encores was Mr. Lean's "Me For Michigan." Miss Holbrook shared the honors with Mr. Lean in her "Mrs. Casey" number, in which she portrayed a back-fence conversation between two women, which met hearty approval were: "Ye Olden Time," and "Willie Off the Second" to this number were the then no less than five encores.

Second to the above number were the three vocal numbers by Suzanne Rocamora. Being the possessor of an exceptionally fine voice, which she controls perfectly, her selections added to the excellence of the evening's program. Running a close third in amount of applause received came Hastings and Wilson, as the "Escaped Lunatics." Their acrobatic and athletic feats were of the highest order, and with the interjection of much comedy they proved high-class fun-makers.

The rejuvenation of the "Broomstick Witches" recalled the days of the operatic success, "The Isle of Splice." Excerpts containing the chief charms of that tuneful musical show are given, together with the dances which made that well remembered pony chorus famous. Charles and Fannie Van, assisted by Winfield DeLong, again present "A Case of Emergency." Mr. Van is a clever comedian, and shows his talents in a new skit with which to display his talents. Walsh, Lynch, and Starr appear in a rural melodramatic comedy "Huckin's Run." Mr. Lynch in the dual role of the constable and the postmaster was good. A trained pony, "Don," gave a clever exhibition of equine intelligence.

#### FLAMES DESTROY FAMOUS OLD BOAT

KINGSTON, N. Y., Aug. 31.—The Norwich, said to have been the oldest steamboat in active use, was burned to the water line at her dock here tonight. The old sidewheeler had for many decades been used to break up the ice in the Hudson every spring.

The Norwich, which was built seventy years ago, was here taken a prominent part in the Hudson-Pulton celebration. The loss is about \$50,000.

## ROCKVILLE BUZZING! FAIR OPENS TODAY

Large Crowd of Montgomery  
County Folk on Hand.  
Racing Feature.

ROCKVILLE, Md., Aug. 31.—Folks from the country within a radius of thirty miles of Rockville and many from Washington commenced pouring into the city today to attend the opening of the Montgomery County Fair. In spite of the refusal of the circuit court to grant permits for bookmaking in connection with the horse racing, the program for this feature is well filled, and some fast trotting is promised.

The "King of Sports" begins this afternoon. Three hundred dollars is the prize for pacers in the 2:27 class. For the five furlong dash, and the six furlong dash the prizes are \$100 for each event. Tomorrow there will be eight events, led by the 2:22 class race, for which the purse is \$500. Turner W. Welsh, and is filled with the best products of the truck farms of the county and culinary exhibits in which the housewives of the section take great pride.

The usual number of fakers and interesting sideshows are on hand, making the usual amount of noise and entertainment for "Rube" and "City Sport" alike.

## WASHINGTON FIRM BUYS LARGE STOCK

Gates & Rich Have Attractive Offerings in House Furnishings at Seventh Street Store.

With a railroad of sample furniture, secured at one-third original cost, Gates & Rich, of 1013-1015 Seventh street, now have in progress a sale that the firm believes will be one of the most attractive to Washington buyers held here in years.

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#### WITHOUT LEARNING.

ALTOONA, Pa., Aug. 31.—Despite the handicap of an utter lack of education, Morris corner, bill poster of Altoona, who began with a blind horse, twenty years ago, retired today, possessed of two farms, sixteen head of horses and some city realty.

## COMEDIAN'S HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

Two Servants Injured at Raymond  
Hitchcock's Summer  
Residence.

NEW YORK, Aug. 31.—The summer home of Raymond Hitchcock at Great Neck, Long Island, was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is estimated at \$40,000.

Two servants in the house were injured in jumping from a second story window.

#### BANDIT IS CAPTURED.

TABRIZ, Persia, Aug. 31.—Rahim Khan, a Persian bandit, who took part in the recent operations against Tabriz, has been captured by a Russian punitive expedition.

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